

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the following numbered paragraphs as follows:

[0069] In local taxonomy 1, there is the term "industry" 229. Local taxonomy 2 also has the term "industry" 242. One of these terms would be designated as the "canonical" term with synonym link 262 between them. This designation includes forming, with the synonym links, a canonical synonym link structure associated with a canonical synonym from among said synonyms. The canonical synonym link structure associates non-canonical synonyms with the canonical synonym, where the canonical synonym possesses a higher order than other ones of said synonyms, as illustrated in Figure 6. Thus, when a user desires to change the name "industry" into another term, the present allows knowing where within the taxonomy to go to make the change. This would allow all related terms to connect to the new or changed term. As a further example in the local taxonomy 1 226 there appears the term "client" 232. In local taxonomy 2 240, there appears, in contrast, the term "customer" 244 with synonym link 264 between them.